

JESUS OUR HEALER

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INTRO:

The first page of the Bible says everything God made was very good. The last page of the Bible says there will be no more death, sorrow, crying or pain. Things began well and they will end well. In between those two bookends is where our challenges exist. The fall of man opened the door to every evil known to man. This includes sickness and disease. This was not the work of God, but of the enemy of God and man (**ACTS 10:38**). Jesus came to undo the works of the devil. Because of Jesus, we can expect to be healed.

God's View of Sickness

Curse (**DEUT. 28:15**); Captivity (**JOB 42:10**); Destruction (**PS. 107:20**); Oppression (**ACTS 10:38**); Languishing (**PS. 41:1-3**); Judgment (**1 COR. 5:4-5**).

God's View of Healing

Rescue (**LK 14:1-6**); Necessity (**LK 13:10-17**); Benefit (**PS. 103:1-3**); Covenant Right (**MT. 15:26**); Good thing (**MK. 3:4**).

Why We Can Expect Healing

- 1.) **HEB. 13:8** Jesus healed all who came to Him, and healing was a major part of His ministry. He commissioned His followers to continue His work.
- 2.) **EX. 15:26** God revealed Himself as our Great Physician. Jehovah Rapha wasn't exclusively for Israel.
- 3.) **1 PET. 2:24** The greatest reason is that Jesus paid the price for our healing (**IS. 53:4-5 AMPC**).
- 4.) **MT. 14:14** Compassion moved Jesus then and it moves Him now. He's no less compassionate today as He was then.

Ways We Can Be Healed

- 1.) **MK. 5:34** By our faith.
- 2.) By following God's instructions (Naaman). **IS. 26:3**
- 3.) By the laying on of hands (**MK. 16:18**).
- 4.) By anointing with oil (**JAMES 5:14-15**).
- 5.) By the gifts of the Spirit (**1 COR. 12**).
- 6.) By taking God's Word as medicine (**PR. 4:20-22**).
- 7.) By the quickening of the Spirit (**ROM. 8:11**).
- 8.) By diligently seeking the Healer (**HEB. 11:6**).

Steps to Follow

- 1.) Ask
- 2.) Believe you receive.
- 3.) Guard the mind against doubt.
- 4.) Continue meditating on the Word.
- 5.) Constantly praise God for the answer.

Conclusion:

God wants us well and He has made provisions for us to be well. We should avail ourselves to every resource He has provided for us, as He directs and guides us.